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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2005 and in response to the Notice of Appeal filed on November 11, 2005, a request for a three month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) submitted herewith, the Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks in the above-identified application.

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